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SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE FOR CORAL SEA WEEK

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1. WOULD MUCH APPRECIATE MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ON THIS OCCASION TO BE READ AT APPROPRIATE FUNCTIONS DURING VISIT OF CORAL SEA WEEK GUEST, SECRETARY WEINBERGER.

2. SUGGESTED TEXT FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

ON THIS THIRTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF CORAL SEA I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND THE GREETINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE AUSTRALIAN-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION AND TO ALL AUSTRALIANS. AS WE IN AMERICA LOOK FORWARD TO OUR BICENTENNIAL NEXT YEAR, WE ALSO LOOK BACK TO THE BATTLE OF THE CORAL SEA WHICH STRENGTHENED THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES, BONDS WHICH HAVE ENDURED AND GROWN IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS BECAUSE OF OUR SHARED INTERESTS, GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS, AND BECAUSE OF OUR MUTUAL COMMITMENT TO INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND WORLD PEACE.

TO THE PEOPLE OF AUSTRALIA ON THIS OCCASION I EXTEND MY WARMEST
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PERSONAL GOOD WISHES.

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